

**KIDDEES**  
 "Dear," she said wistfully, "did you ever love another girl?"  
 "Why, Mary," he began—  
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### TODAY'S FASHIONS

#### Blistered Silks Newest



Blistered silks already are fashionable and are expected to be more in evidence by fall. Blouses of this fabric are shown in Casaque models with long sleeves that fit closely about the wrist or loose and billowy.

LONDON—Observing the fashion world go by from a bench on London's "rotten row" one sees that the season's modes tend to more conservative skirts, higher waist lines, picture hats a yard wide and

pointed American shoes. The dressmaker's intent seems to be to cover what was once uncovered. Ankle-length skirts, voluminous sleeves, high neck lines and loose-fitting gowns that subordinate the contour of the body, seem destined to re-

store woman's lost charm of mystery. Most frocks are of the fluttering, flowing order which, caught by the breeze, looks very graceful. Foulards are taking the place of georgette and crepes of laces. Hats are circled with posies instead of being covered with plumes. Parasols are of foulard with wallpaper designs, or figures of green parrots or love birds. Long, narrow feet are the craze of the moment.

and slender, high booted shoes of snakeskin are coming into vogue. For evening attire backless frocks with diamond or pearl supports are popular with some women of fashion. Many evening gowns are of new cloth of silves or gold that resembles molten metal and that shimmers and glitters brilliantly under the electric light. Trains are inclined to be shorter, and are usually of gold or silver net. The new transparent cloaks which are being worn are trimmed with white grey and black monkey fur. Very little jewelry is worn; only a simple chain of jade or amber, or a Chinese Mandarin's collar of teak-wood beads.

Most all of the new tariff duties are painful duties.—Toledo News-Bee.

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"I AIN'T MAD AT NOBODY"

### SEES GERMANY'S LIBERALIZATION

James W. Gerard Predicts Prophecy of Rathenau Will Be Realized

BY EDWARD M. THIERY  
 NEWPORT, R. I., July 19.—James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, sees the liberalization of the beaten empire on the way to realization.

Disclosing for the first time in an interview with NEA Service the prophecy by Walter Rathenau nearly two years before the armistice that it would take 50 years to liberalize Germany, Gerard goes a step farther and says he is convinced the prophecy will come true.

Just returned from another visit to Europe, Gerard declares neither the assassination of Rathenau nor the menace of monarchist plots will prevent the success of the task Rathenau foresaw and was engaged in when murdered.

"As I was leaving Berlin in February, 1917," said Gerard, "Rathenau told me his country would be defeated within two years and that it would take 50 years to liberalize Germany. He was right in both instances.

"Propaganda favoring the monarchy is persistent through the newspapers backed by the old armament trust. There is even a reaction of royalist revenge noticeable among schoolboys who did not suffer in the war and who in their unformed minds see the picturesqueness of the monarchy.

"The government in its present representative form—forced out whenever the lower house wishes—will become, I think, an executive bureaucratic government like that of the United States.

"The assassination of Rathenau and the discovery of the monarchial murder fund has drawn the line sharply in Germany. On one side are the junkers who favor the monarchy and the re-establishment of compulsory military service, for revenge and war—against the plain people.

"On the other side are the social democratic, liberal thinkers. They will be joined by the middle classes, who for the first time under the republic have a chance to get on in the world. This side will prevail."

Gerard says Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria is a menacing monarchial factor.

"He openly boasts he can get back his kingdom any time he pleases," says the former ambassador. But Gerard scouts the possibility of Rupprecht's succeeding and proclaiming himself German emperor.

"Germans in America can do a great deal toward liberalization of their fatherland," Gerard says, "by throwing their influence against militarism, royalty and military service. There is a tendency of some to be for kaiserism and militarism, because it is the picturesque side—and perhaps because they escaped the evils of it."

Gerard does not think there will be a financial crash in Germany.

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